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2. The headquarters detachment of 4 Trudovak Section consisted of a "Technical Company" and a "Service Company". [redacted] 50X1-HUM
The line companies were deployed throughout the area.
3. Mobile equipment assigned to 4 Trudovak Section consisted of the following:
 - a. One automobile;
 - b. Ten trucks of an unknown type;
 - c. Two or three "buffalo carts;"
 - d. One horse carriage; and
 - e. Three "phaetons."
4. The headquarters of 4 Trudovak Section was located two kilometers southeast of Shumen, in the following five buildings:
 - a. A 2-story building, 100 meters long and 80 meters wide, used for the offices and sleeping quarters of headquarters personnel;
 - b. A 1-story building, 150 meters long and 7 meters wide, which includes a mess-hall, a bakery, and a clothing store;
 - c. A 1-story building, 60 meters long and 7 meters wide, used to store picks and axes;
 - d. A 1-story building, 40 meters long and 20 meters wide, used as a stable; and
 - e. A 1-story building, used as "reserved" sleeping quarters.
5. [redacted] the following personnel in 4 Trudovak Section: 50X1-HUM
 - a. Colonel Angel Daaliev, commander of 4 Trudovak Section, [redacted]
 - b. Captain Trayan Georgiev, Assistant Commander and Political Officer, [redacted]
 - c. Senior First Lieutenant Ivanov, Commander of the "Technical Company", [redacted]
 - d. Senior First Lieutenant Rusi Jechev, Commander of the "Service Company", [redacted]
 - e. Senior First Lieutenant Angelov, Platoon Commander, "Service Company", [redacted]
 - f. Sergeant Angel (Inu), Platoon Sergeant, "Service Company", [redacted]
 - g. Master Sergeant Purvanov, "Service Company" master sergeant, [redacted]

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6. [redacted] Trudovak Company, [redacted] in Dobrich, [redacted]
This company was working on the construction of an airfield
in Dobrich. Other Trudovak units [redacted]
[redacted] all components of a battalion [redacted]
[redacted] 50X1-HUM
7. There were no barracks at the airfield site. The men in Trudovak Battalion
[redacted] slept in tents pitched on the runway and taxi-strips. Each 50X1-HUM
tent held 20 men. The other companies lived in a converted tobacco ware-
house, a 3-story building 70 meters long and 50 meters wide, located adjacent
to the Dobrich railroad station. 50X1-HUM
8. [redacted] the following personnel at the Dobrich garrison: 50X1-HUM
- a. Major Ruskov, senior officer, [redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - b. Captain Asen Ivanov, commander of Trudovak Battalion [redacted]
[redacted]
 - c. Senior First Lieutenant Donkov, Deputy Commander and Political Officer 50X1-HUM
of Trudovak Battalion [redacted]
[redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - d. Senior First Lieutenant Rusi Jechev¹, Commander of Trudovak Company [redacted]
[redacted] (see Para. 5d.); 50X1-HUM
 - e. Senior First Lieutenant Mikhov, Commander, Technical Company, [redacted]
[redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - f. Senior First Lieutenant Dimitrov, Deputy Commander and Political Officer,
Trudovak Company [redacted] 50X1-HUM
[redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - g. Master Sergeant Doniu (lnu), Trudovak Company [redacted]
[redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - h. Sergeant First Class Stamat (lnu), Commander, 1 Platoon, Trudovak Company
[redacted]
 - i. First Lieutenant Dimitrov, Commander, 2 Platoon, Trudovak Company [redacted]
[redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - j. Sergeant Tenev, Commander 3 Platoon, Trudovak Company [redacted]
[redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - k. Sergeant Georgi (lnu), Commander, 4 Platoon, Trudovak Company [redacted]
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9. [redacted] Trudovak Company [redacted] in Golyamo Krushevo, [redacted] company was working on the construction of trenches and a Trudovak Company [redacted] was engaged in the same work. Each company had a normal complement, that is 250 men, billeted in private homes. [redacted] the 2 Platoon, Trudovak Company [redacted] was equipped with six Mauser rifles, models unknown. 50X1-HUM
10. [redacted] the following personnel in Trudovak Company [redacted]
- a. Senior First Lieutenant Armandov, Company Commander [redacted] 50X1-HUM
[redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - b. Senior First Lieutenant Dimitrov, Deputy Commander and Political Officer; (see Para. 8 f.);
 - c. Master Sergeant Yovcho (lnu), Master Sergeant Trudovak Company, [redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - d. First Lieutenant Ivanov, Commander, 1 Platoon, [redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - e. First Lieutenant Mikhailov, Commander, 2 Platoon, [redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - f. Sergeant First Class Georgi (lnu), Commander, 3 Platoon, [redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - g. Sergeant Yarko (lnu), Commander, 4 Platoon, [redacted] 50X1-HUM
11. [redacted] Trudovak Company [redacted] in Stefan Karadzhevo, [redacted] company was subordinate to Trudovak Battalion [redacted] which also included the Companies [redacted] The battalion was billeted in private homes in the village. Mobile equipment assigned to [redacted] company consisted of the following:
- a. Four trucks of an unknown type; 50X1-HUM
 - b. One horse-drawn carriage;
 - c. One mule-drawn carriage; and
 - d. Four "buffalo carts".
12. [redacted] company was equipped with the following weapons and ammunition: 50X1-HUM
- a. 52 Mauser rifles;
 - b. 32 Bayonets;
 - c. 6 German machine guns;
 - d. One Soviet Shpagin machine gun;
 - e. 2,550 cartridges for each Mauser;

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- f. One clip for each German machine gun, 32 cartridges per clip; and
- g. Two clips for the Soviet machine gun, one having 64 cartridges and the other having 71 cartridges.

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13. [] the following personnel in Trudovak Company []

a. Senior First Lieutenant Dernev, Commander, Trudovak Battalion []

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b. First Lieutenant Kolev, Commander, Trudovak Company []

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c. First Lieutenant Katsarov, Deputy Commander and Political Officer, Trudovak Company []

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d. Second Lieutenant Belichev, Commander, 1 Platoon, Trudovak Company []

14. [] trained in close order drill for ten days, in Dobrich. Four 50X1-HUM
hours were spent each day in political training. At the end of the first month, however, political training was reduced to one hour weekly, presumably because work on Dobrich airfield was running behind schedule. The political lectures were given by the company commander.

15. Weapons training consisted of one hour a week of familiarization with the parts of firearms. [] company did not see any weapons until it reached Stefan Karadzhovo. The weapons used there were German carbines, but there was no shooting, since there were no shells.

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16. [] the following Trudovak personnel:

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a. Senior First Lieutenant Konstantinov, Commander, Trudovak Company []

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b. Captain Andreev, Commander, Trudovak Company []

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c. First Lieutenant Donchev, Deputy Commander and Political Officer of Trudovak Battalion []

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d. Corporal Ivan Neshev, Commander 2 Platoon, Trudovak Company []

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e. Corporal Boshkov, Commander, 3 Platoon, Trudovak Company []

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1. [] Comment: Possibly Yeehev, or Zhechev.

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2. [] Comment: Probably identical to Senior First Lieutenant Arnaudov [] holding a post in Ruzhitsa (N4333 E2710).

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1. In January 1952, a trench system was completed in the Golyamo Krushovo area (N4212 E2653). A trench system near Stefan Karadzhoze (N4213 E2649) was scheduled for completion by March 1952. The trenches were begun after World War II. Approximately 750 Trudovaks were at work at each of the two sites, in addition to a transport company of 250 men.
2. The trenches follow a zig-zag pattern and vary in length. Each trench is 11x50x1-HUM centimeters deep with an upper width of 120 centimeters and a lower width of 50 centimeters. The interval between the trenches is 20 meters. A fighter post is located between the forward thrusts of each trench line. The sketch of the fortifications enclosed herewith as an appendix

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3. The Trudovaks working on the fortifications were billeted with farm families in groups of four or five. Each Trudovak was equipped with two spades and a pickaxe; engineering equipment was supplied as needed. [redacted] company at Golyamo Krushhevo had three 3-ton ZIS trucks at its disposal; the company at Stefan Karadzhovo had 17 trucks of the same type.
4. The Trudovaks at Stefan Karadzhovo had no food depot. Food and fuel was stored north of the village at a fenced-in plot of ground, adjacent to which were three small powder magazines which were underground and covered with earth. The entire area was guarded day and night.
5. There is only one trench line at Stefan Karadzhovo [redacted]
[redacted] It forms a crescent around the village.
6. There are four lines of trenches emanating from Golyamo Krushhevo. The first line lies 200 or 300 meters south of the village and extends for two kilometers. The second line is also two kilometers long; it is located 300 meters beyond the first line. The third and fourth lines, seven and five kilometers long respectively, form the outer perimeter.

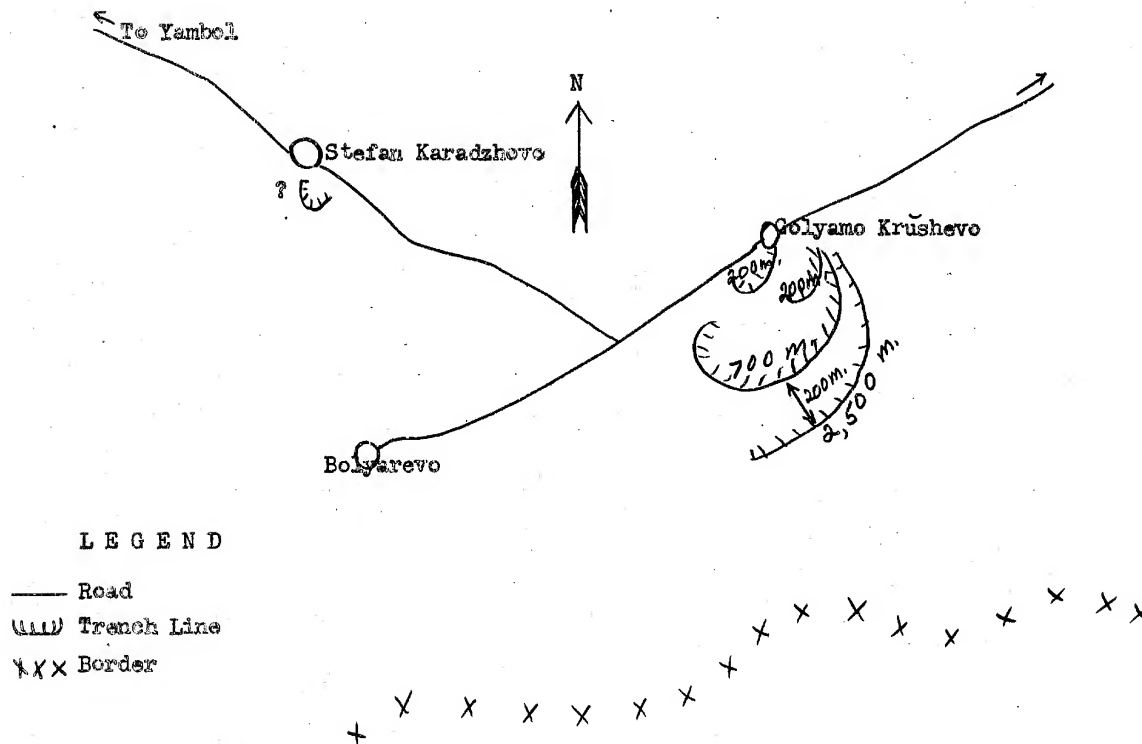
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APPENDIX: Fortifications near Golyamo Krushhevo and Stefan Karadzhovo.

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(Not drawn to scale)



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